

WATER DISTRICT #34
P.O. Box 53
Mackay, ID 83251

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**Updated Watermaster report of final budget and
minutes from our annual meeting**

**Water District #34
Annual Meeting
Agenda
March 5, 2012**

Agenda for regular annual meeting for the adoption of a budget and the election of a Water Master for Water District #34, Big Lost River, held at the Mackay High School Auditorium, Mackay, Idaho at 2:00 p.m. on Monday March 5, 2012.

Chairman Seth Beal to Call Meeting to Order

Nomination of New Annual meeting Secretary

Minutes from the 2011 Annual Meeting

Snow Report – Sno Tel is between 59%

Recharge Report – Mitch Sorenson

REA Grants (improve pumping efficiency): Randy Purser, Tina Lord (BSWCD), Denise Johnson (LRE)

Water Master Report

- a. Total surface water delivered in 2011 was 107,953 cfs
- b. Total groundwater delivered in 2011 was 28,667 cfs
- c. Total surface water and groundwater delivered in 2011 was 136,620 cfs
- d. 2B heading is at 132 cfs as of 02-27-2012
Dam is at 39750AF and 91 % full as of 02-27-2012
Arco Gauge reading is at (iced) cfs as of 02-27-2012

IDWR / Water Bank (Nick Miller)

Water Master Results

Financial Report and Proposed Budget

Other Business:

1. Resolution from the floor to vote by dollars or hands
2. Amended Resolution: All Water Users will be charged a Minimum \$35 fee.
3. Motion is requested as follows:
 1. The date for payment of water taxes shall be April 15, 2012. All taxes not paid by That date shall charged in accordance with Idaho Code 42-613 which provides a late fee of 10% on the total amount due.

2. Per Idaho Code 42-608, The Water Master's term of service may, by Resolution, Provide that the Water Master shall serve throughout the year.
3. No water shall be delivered until all water taxes due are paid.
4. Vote CFS expressed in dollars over 5 Yr. Avg. Per Idaho Code 42-605 (4)
Shall be entitled to a number of votes equal to the average annual dollar amount and Any fraction thereof assessed for that person's qualifying water right for the previous Five (5) Years.
5. Resolution: All assistants to the Water Master that measure, record, or adjust water deliveries under the direction of the Water Master shall be appointed Deputy Water Masters by the Director of IDWR before performing their duties each irrigation season.

Appointment or continuance of Treasurer

Election of Advisory Board Members:

Mike Dotzenrod - Leslie / Eric Aikele - Era Flats

Nomination of Water Master

Election of Water Master

Approve 2012-2013 Credentials Committee & Appoint a Chairman

Nomination of Chairman for year 2012-2013

Adjourn Meeting

Committee's

Advisory Board

Roger Totten - Water Master
VerNon Roche - Chilly
Keith Hill - Barton Flat
Holly Seefried - Mackay/Alder Creek
Mike Dotzenrod - Leslie
David Keele - Antelope
Dennis Moss - Moore
Darrell Lee McDonald - Lost River
Darrell E. McDonald - Arco
Eric Aikele - Era Flats
Seth Beal - Chairman

Recharge Committee

Roger Totten - Water Master
Herb Whitworth (#1)
VerNon Roche (#1)
Jim Gregory (#1)
Marx Hintze (#2)
Randy Pehrson (#2)
Loy Pehrson (#2/3)
Randy Purser (#3)
Trilby McAfee (#3)
Harvey Walker (#4)
Larry Quist (#4)
Alvin Wheeler (#4)
Jay Jensen (#5)
Chris Merrill (Tech)
Mitchell Sorenson (#5/Chairman)

2012 Credentials Committee

Seth Beal
Jackie Reynolds
Trilby McAfee
Josephine Spraker
Karen Beard
Mark Telford
Keith Hill
Jim Gregory
Lewene Clark
Joanne Roche
Holly Seefried
Eric Aikele

Water District #34
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Budget FY 2010-2011

	11-12 Actual Expenses	11-12 Adopted Budget	12-13 Proposed Budget
Watermaster	33,990	33,990	33,990
Clerical	13,698	14,450	15,175
Deputy Water Masters Below Reservoir	2,755	3,500	3,500
Deputy Well Measure	4,673	4,250	7,500
Deputy Water Master Above Reservoir (Mileage)	3,728	7,500	9,452
Deputy Water Master Antelope	3,164	2,800	5,780
Watermaster Misc, Supplies Etc	677	750	750
Deputy & Water Master Mileage	12,996	13,000	17,300
Retirement	3,532	3,500	3,600
FICA & Medicare	4,134	4,500	4,500
Rent	2,067	2,200	2,200
Phone	2,578	2,700	2,600
Office Supplies, Postage, Misc.	1,974	2,000	2,000
Workers Comp. / State Ins. Fund	2,271	2,800	2,500
Repairs & Calibrations / Flow Meter's	0	2,000	2,000
Education Training & Computer Program, Data Loggers	0	4,000	4,000
Computer	1,452	1,500	1,500
Audit	825	1,000	1,000
Recharge Spent / Recharge Account	12,061	15,000	26,200
Recharge Exp. & Permits (RECHARGE HAS 11,707.11 LEFT IN THEIR ACCOUNT)		0	
ICRMP Ins.	1,764	3,000	3,000
Cloud Seeding	3,888	3,500	0
Contingency Fund (Has 8,200 in it.)	0		1,800
Gauges / USGS (5% to 15% increse)	8,850	10,000	9,500
Blaine Station/ Leslie (3% increase)	6,202	6,800	6,600
	127,278	144,740	166,447
Budget Surplus (Deficit)		17,426	18,374
2011-2012 Watermaster Tax		127,314	\$148,073

Cost Factor per CFS for 2011-2012 was \$1.019

Proposed cost factor per CFS for 2012-2013 is estimated at: 1.1064495

Motion is requested as follows:

1. The date for payment of water taxes shall be April 15, 2012 All taxes not paid on that date shall be charged a 10% late fee on the total amount due.
2. In the event of non-use a tax in the amount of \$35 will be assessed for administration expense.
3. Per Idaho Code 42-608, the Watermaster's term of service may, by Resolution, provide that the Watermaster shall serve throughout the year.
4. **No Water shall be delivered until all Water Taxes Due Are Paid.**

Accounting

Checking Account

Checking	\$1,474.66
Recharge Checking	\$0.00
Checking Total =	\$1,474.66

Savings Account

Savings	\$16,899.74
Contingency Fund	\$8,200.00

Recharge Savings	\$11,707.11
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Savings Total = \$36,806.85

(TOTAL ACCOUNTS \$38,281.51)

Water Master Tax Outstanding Invoices \$1,859.26

WE HAVE THIS MUCH LEFT IN ACCOUNT'S TO APPLY
TO NEXT YEARS BUDGET.

Checking	\$1,474.66
Carryover Account	\$16,899.74
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	\$18,374.40

Advisory Board's Responsibilities

1. Advisory Board participates and helps the Water Master prepare the budget for the coming year.
2. Advisory Board is to only advise and to assist the Water Master, The final decision is to be made by the Water Master.
3. Advisory Board members represent the patrons of their area, and Board Members are voted for only by the patrons of their area.
4. If an Advisory Board member misses two consecutive meetings and does not have a valid excuse, and misses the third meeting, he will be removed from the board.
5. Any Advisory Board member who has a conflict of interest, will be excused and will not set in on the discussion or the decision.
6. Protocol and Resolutions for problems.
 - A. First a problem comes to the Water Master.
 - B. If not resolved with the Water Master, It is then taken to the Water Master and the patrons Board Member, for advice.
 - C. If not resolved with the Water Master and the individual's Board Member, Then it will go to the whole Advisory Board, for advice.
 - D. If the problem has not been resolved with the whole Advisory Board, then the Water Master will contact the Idaho Department of Water Resources, and the Water Master together with a representative from the Idaho Department of Water Resources, will give the final decision.

(If the matter is not resolved at the first step then it will go to the next step. NO STEP'S WILL BE PASSED OVER.)

**Water Basin #34 Annual Meeting Minutes
Held at Mackay High School Auditorium in Mackay, Idaho
March 5, 2012**

2:14 pm meeting called to order by chairman Seth Beal.
Sec. Eric Aikele nominated by Bob Waddoups
2011 Minutes read by Eric Aikele motion to Accept by Robert Moss
2nd Marx Hintze
Snow report 58%

Recharge: Mitch Sorenson

- 1) Report handout 5-6 pages charts, graphs. Reported good season in 2011
 - 2) Idaho Transportation Department offered gravel pit in Moore for \$500. Gravel pit needs water measuring device, pipeline, fence.
 - 3) Alvin Wheeler recognized for Spring Creek recharge \$50 Gift Cert.
- Motion to accept by Vernon Roche, 2nd Mike Dotzenrod all in favor.

Tina Lords - Out reach co-ordinate for Soil Conservation District.

Inform patrons about soil & energy conservation measures.

Denise Johnson - REA Energy Conservation program.

Sprinkler packages, Motors, gaskets. Program runs Oct.- Oct.
Preliminary audits are available to determine efficiency of system.
Irrigators don't have to have an audit to upgrade their systems.

Water Master Report - Roger Totten

107,953 CFS Surface	2B 132 Cfs
28,667 CFS Ground	Reservoir @ 39750 A.F. 91% Full
136,620 CFS Total	0 CFS Arco Gage (gage frozen over)

Moved to accept by Doug Rosenkrance 2nd Randy Purser

IDWR Nick Miller / Monica VanBussum

Dept. ready to release order requiring groundwater measuring devices.
Mag meter is the standard. Other devices or means can be used if a variance is received. Marx Hintz asked who would collect data -Nick said Water basin. Bob Waddoups asked "When will order apply?" Irrigation season 2013. Acceptable devices have flow rate & totalizer. Meter costs around \$1,500. Mike Telford. "Spec's for trapped air? Nick said there are charts. Mrs. Harwood asked, "When is the measuring device requirements

for real?" As per order - 2013. Violation could be \$300/Acre/Day - 1st violation probable lockdown. Darrell McDonald - "would orifice and tube be ok? Nick: That would be a variance.

Monica VanBussum - Water Bank

Started in 1930's but formally in 1979

Rental pool different than water supply bank. -it's mostly storage

Water supply bank - used by those wishing to protect their water.

Agreements usually 5 yr. or less. IDWR looks at

- 1) Is it a legal water right.
- 2) Damage to other water rights.
- 3) Enlargement of license.

What \$ involved? **In:** \$250/right - but max of \$500. State keeps all.

Out: \$14/Acre ft. Dept. keeps 10%, 90% goes to owner. No money goes to water district. In Basin #34 only a few transactions - most are double use, water in & out by same user, Basin #34 water is ground water. Water bank water goes thru water master.

Darrell McDonald asked - does surface water bank water do away with the law of 1st in time = 1st in right?

Monica & Nick: Could potential affect it some but the Legislature has passed the law as such & IDWR will administer as written.

Financial Report/Budget: 2012-13 / Roger Totten

Data Loggers \$4,000? This includes other training expenses.

Mileage costs? - Antelope, Deputy watermaster mileage

Recharge \$? ; Antelope/UC canal diversion structure, measuring device, work in bottom of UC to increase sink.

Removal of cloud seeding money noted to users.

Motion to accept the budget as presented - Jake Johnson, 2nd Harvey Walker, all in favor

Motions #1-4 / Moved Mike Telford, 2nd Walt Johnson

Cindy Smyer elected Sec. Treas.

Advisory Committee members up for election: Mike Dotzenrod (Leslie), Eric Aikele (Era Flats)

Leslie Area: Terry Monson 10 votes / Mike Dotzenrod 6 votes
Terry Monson Elected

Era Flats Area: Mike Telford nominated Mitch Sorenson. No other nominations. All in favor

Water Master Election

Mike Telford requested vote by dollars.
Jay Pearson Nominated: Jay Jensen
Jake Johnson Nominated: Roger Totten
nominations cease, 2nd Trilby McAfee
Jay & Roger Addressed the group
Roger Totten Elected: 53,258
Jay Jensen: 24,491

Credentials Committee Chairperson

JoAnne Roche nominated by Larry Quist 2nd Jay Pearson

Advisory Committee Chairman

Seth Beal nominated to chair Advisory Committee, no other nominations, all in favor.

Kirby Jensen moved to have all water bank applications advertised to the public. Nick Miller suggested requesting the Director to advertise. State not required to Advertise. Motion so Amended. Mike Telford requested to vote by \$.

Motion from Water Basin #34

Request the Director to Advertise all water bank transactions within basin #34.

Yes votes - 26,375

No votes - 24,068

Meeting adjourn 4:30 pm.

Eric Aikele



